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### Governor Schwarzenegger Releases \$23 Million for Counties to Implement Juvenile Justice Reforms

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Governor Schwarzenegger today requested the State Controller's Office to release nearly \$23 million in Youthful Offender Block Grants in the 2007-2008 budget for counties to implement new juvenile correctional reforms. The recently approved block grants will allow counties to oversee those offenders with less serious crimes in their home communities.

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"I am a firm believer that California's youthful offenders are among the most responsive to programs that will steer them away from trouble and keep them from turning toward a life of crime," said Governor Schwarzenegger. "These new reforms will shift away from uprooting less-serious youthful offenders from their families and support networks, by investing in programs and services in their local communities."

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"This is real reform that attacks juvenile crime at its roots and focuses on rehabilitation in the home community," said Bernard Warner, Chief Deputy Secretary for the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Beginning September 1, 2007, the DJJ stopped accepting juvenile court commitments and parole violators, except those convicted of violent, serious, or sex offenses. Juvenile offenders with less serious crimes will now be kept in their local jurisdictions, where they can benefit from programs within their communities and be closer to potential support networks. The 2007-08 state budget includes \$24 million from the General Fund, growing to a total of \$92 million by 2010-11, in Juvenile Offender Block Grant funding that will provide counties with resources to provide services to juvenile offenders who will no longer be housed in DJJ facilities or supervised by the Division of Juvenile Parole Operations. This is based on approximately 700 juvenile offenders being housed or supervised on parole at the county level, growing to approximately 1,300 by 2010-11.

The 2007-2008 California state budget also includes \$100 million in lease-revenue bonds to finance the acquisition, design, renovation, or construction of local juvenile facilities in order to ensure that local governments have adequate capacity and program space to house and serve juvenile offenders. Counties will have the opportunity to apply for these funds after putting together comprehensive infrastructure plans that address programming and housing needs of juvenile offenders.

See below list for block grants to specific jurisdictions.



Alameda	\$730,128
Alpine	58,500
Amador	58,500
Butte	119,232
Calaveras	58,500
Colusa	58,500
Contra Costa	443,277
Del Norte	58,500
El Dorado	94,387
Fresno	689,807
Glenn	58,500
Humboldt	58,851
Imperial	74,364
Inyo	58,500
Kern	849,966
Kings	96,499
Lake	58,500
Lassen	58,500
Los Angeles	5,460,396
Madera	101,441
Marin	103,118
Mariposa	58,500
Mendocino	58,500
Merced	236,877
Modoc	58,500
Mono	58,500
Monterey	185,697
Napa	92,250
Nevada	58,500
Orange	1,539,093
Placer	147,000
Plumas	58,500
Riverside	1,814,310
Sacramento	1,103,062
San Benito	58,500
San Bernardino	1,648,906
San Diego	1,434,647



San Francisco	287,150
San Joaquin	602,322
San Luis Obispo	100,274
San Mateo	363,742
Santa Barbara	259,089
Santa Clara	790,663
Santa Cruz	94,752
Shasta	90,595
Sierra	58,500
Siskiyou	58,500
Solano	409,064
Sonoma	261,015
Stanislaus	278,735
Sutter	58,568
Tehama	58,500
Trinity	58,500
Tulare	260,455
Tuolumne	58,500
Ventura	389,123
Yolo	102,919
Yuba	58,500
Total	\$22,658,771

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